

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

December 21, 2000

Timothy Teepell, Treasurer The Madison Project Inc., Fund 119 C Street, SE, Basement Washington, DC 20003

Identification Number:

C00298000

Reference:

Amended Year End Report (1/01/00-12/31/00), dated 7/20/00, July Quarterly Report (4/1/00-6/30/00) and Amended April Quarterly Report

(1/1/00-3/31/00), dated 7/13/00

Dear Mr. Teepell:

This letter is to inform you that as of December 20, 2000 the Commission has not received your response to our requests for additional information dated November 29, 2000. These notices request information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. To ensure compliance with the provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act (the Act), please respond to these requests (copies enclosed).

An adequate response must be received at the Commission by January 10, 2001. Adequate responses received on or before this date will be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered. Failure to provide an adequate response by this date may result in an audit of the committee. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act may also result in an enforcement action against the committee. Any response submitted by your committee will be placed on the public record and will be considered by the Commission prior to taking enforcement action.

If you should have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Dominick Ciaraldi on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to

reach the Reports Analysis Division) or our local number (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,

John D. Gibson

Assistant Staff Director Reports Analysis Division

Enclosures



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Dear Mr. Teepell:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. The review raised questions concerning certain information contained in the report(s). An itemization follows:

-Your report discloses in-kind contributions made on behalf of what appear to be federal candidates. The original payments for the goods and services have been itemized as operating expenditures and included in the total for Line 21 of the Detailed Summary Page. In addition, there is no disclosure of any activity on Line 23 (Contributions to Federal Candidates and Other Political Committees). This method of reporting does not accurately disclose your committee's activity breakdown on the Detailed Summary Page.

Please amend your report to disclose this activity on Line 23 of the Detailed Summary Page. This method of reporting will provide clear and accurate disclosure of the <u>total</u> amount of contributions to federal candidates (including in-kind contributions) on the public record. Please refer to the enclosed sample of a properly disclosed in-kind contribution.

Furthermore, please provide the office sought including state and congressional district, if applicable, for each contribution made. 11 CFR (b)(3)(ii) and (v)

-Schedules A and B of your report disclose earmarked contributions. <u>If the contributions passed through your committee's account (conduit's check)</u>,

each must be reflected on Lines 11(a)(i) and 23, itemized on Schedules A and B, respectively, regardless of the amount. If the earmarked contributions were forwarded in the form of the contributor's check, they should be disclosed as memo entries on Schedules A and B. For disclosure purposes, the name and mailing address for each contributor must be provided, and where the contribution exceeds \$200, the individual's occupation and name of employer must also be itemized. Please amend your report accordingly. 11 CFR \$110.6(c)(1)(v)

-Schedule B discloses contributions to federal candidates for which no election designation has been provided. Please note that if no designation is included in your report, the contributions will be attributed to the next upcoming election for the recipient candidate. Thus, for future reporting purposes, it is in your committee's interest to designate the appropriate election in order to avoid the appearance of excessive contributions made to federal candidates by your committee.

A written response or an amendment to your original report(s) correcting the above problem(s) should be filed with the Federal Election Commission within fifteen (15) days of the date of this letter. If you need assistance, please feel free to contact me on our toll-free number, (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports Analysis Division). My local number is (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,

Dominick Ciaraldi

Reports Analyst

Reports Analysis Division

4. Itemized Disbursements: Schedule B

When to itemize Disbursements

Regardless of Amount Several types of disbursements must be itemized regardless of amount:

- Contributions to candidates and political committees;
- Loan repayments;
- . Loans made by the committee; and
- Transfers to effiliated committees.

Note that refunds of contributions (Line 25 on the Detailed Summary Page) must be itemized on Schedule B only if the Incoming contribution had to be itemized on Schedule A, as explained earlier in this chapter.*

Other Disbursements: \$200 Threshold A disbursement that does not tall under one of the categories listed above (such as a donation to a nonfederal candidate) must be itemized if it exceeds \$200 when aggregated with other disbursements made to the same payee during the calendar year.

How to Itemize Disbursements

Separate Categoriania Disbursements

Before beginning to itemize the committee's distributions to the Contributions to Federal Categories listed on the Data of Summery Page ("Operating Expensives," "Contributions to Federal Categories," etc.; an Bustration or pleted Detailed Summary Page appears on page 35). The disbursements in each category must be itemized on a separate Schedule Bidesignated for that category.

Indicate the type of disbursement itemized on a particular Schedule B by entering the corresponding line number from the Datalled Summary Page in the upper right corner of the schedule. The appropriate category of disbursement may also be written at the top of each page.

 If the committee uses funds drawn from federal and nominderal accounts to conduct an activity that supports both federal and nonfederal candidates, the committee must follow the allocation rules. See Chapter 10. Some categories may require several pages. The total for each category should be entered on the bottom are of the fast page for that category.

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itemized disbursement information includes:

- Name of payee;
- Address of payee;
- Purpose of disbursement (a brief but specific description of why the disbursement was made—see Schedule B Instructions and 104.3(b)(3)(l)(B));
- . Date of payment; and
- Amount, 104.3(b)(3); 104.9.

Additional information on Candidates Further information is required when itemizing a contribution to a candidate committee on Schedule 8. Include the candidate's name and the office sought (including the state and, if applicable, Congressional district). When itemizing a contribution or loan to a candidate committee, specify the election for which the payment was made by checking the appropriate category in the election designation to a. 104.3(b)(3)(v). See illustrational contribution.

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See pages 15-16 for information on making post-election contributions to retire a candidate's debts.

